

EXTRAORDINARY MEETING OF THE FULL PARISH COUNCIL

HELD ON MONDAY 9th MAY 2022 AT 6.30PM

Councillors Present : Cllrs Norcross (Chairman), Hanson, S. Alexander, Lloyd, Bell, Young, and Northam.

Clerk in attendance : John Fullbrook

Planning Consultant in attendance : Andrew Metcalf

Members of the Public : 6

Meeting commenced : 6.35 pm

MINUTES

ACTION

FULL/21/119 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

119.1 Apologies were received from Cllrs Goldsmith, Campbell, Sullivan, Parsons, Trundle and Ian Alexander. Cllr Young due to arrive 5 minutes late. Cllr Rudkin absent.

FULL/21/120 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

120.1 None

FULL/21/121 QUESTIONS FROM THE FLOOR (in Summary)

121.1.1 **Q** - Robert Mattinson – *The Main proposal on the agenda this evening is to agree the Neighbourhood Plan after the Examiners modifications and yet none of the 7 Councillors who voted for the original plan are here tonight which I think is poor form and poor judgement on their part. I remain frustrated as a Landowner that it has taken 3 years to get to this point, when it was obvious that certain LGS including mine were not going to be included. Regards the Examiners report we were disappointed that at paragraph 7.56 he did not make comments on the sites themselves because we believe he would have failed them on that matter as well as having already ruled them out. The LGS were imposed upon us with no regard for it being my private land (Sweetlands) and with no prior consultation. I hope the Council will put an end to all this tonight. I received a letter from Council during regulation 16 probably written by Cllr Campbell and signed by the Clerk informing me it was council policy to pursue the designation of my land as LGS, and subject to tonight's vote I would like a letter stating that this is no longer the policy.*

121.1.2 **A** – *The Chairman thanked Mr Mattinson for his comments*

FULL/21/122 STEYNING PARISH COUNCIL NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

Following recommendations from the SPC Neighbourhood Plan Steering Committee working party, to discuss whether SPC agrees to the Examiners amendments to the SPC Draft N. Plan, or whether it considers further modifications are necessary and what those modifications should therefore entail.

Note *Cllr Young arrived for the start of this debate*

122.1 Cllr Lloyd stated he thought the Steering Committee had done a fantastic job and he didn't think he could query anything they had agreed (at their meeting on the 4th of May – as per supporting papers), and therefore suggested the report be accepted as it is written. Cllr S. Alexander stated the Examiner being qualified in this matter ought to have his modifications

CLERK /
Cllr
Norcross

agreed. Cllr Hanson agreed with these comments but raised the error within the Cil Money calculations paper. Andrew Metcalf apologised for the error in his supporting paper from some months earlier but prior to the meeting a revised document had been distributed which clarified the matter. Cllr Norcross stated this error did not alter the Steering committee's perspective and recommendation, because its main consideration was that it agreed with the comments and modifications from the Examiner. Cllr Northam stated the Cil money discrepancy would not alter his decision at all. Cllr Bell agreed possibly Cil money revenue may be a factor in the Council's ultimate decision, however with figures merely being revised, the difference between having a plan made or not is still huge and so the argument still remains.

- 122.2** Cllr Norcross asked Andrew, for the benefit of the public, what would happen if Council did not accept the Examiners revisions. He responded that a likely outcome would be having to withdraw the plan and start again, however there might be a case for discussions with HDC if there were only slight deviations from the modifications proposed, but this would likely trigger a possible need for further consultation.
- 122.3** The Clerk stated he had asked the Consultant to provide a draft amended Neighbourhood Plan to include all the modifications so that all Councillors were aware of exactly what they were voting on.
- 122.4** Cllr Norcross **proposed, seconded** by Cllr S. Alexander that SPC accepts the modifications as proposed by the Examiners report and gives the Clerk delegated authority to submit the amended plan to HDC {As per supporting papers}. **Agreed {Unanimous}** **CLERK**

FULL/21/123 **DATE OF NEXT FULL COUNCIL MEETING: 16th May 2022 at 7.30pm**

Meeting Closed at 6.58pm

Signed **Date 16th May 2022**
Chairman

A Video recording of this meeting is available on the SPC Website or via this link:
<https://youtu.be/8M3t8jEPEms>